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By the QUEEN,

## A PROCLAMATION,

For a PUBLICK THANKSGIVING.

ANNE R.

*WE Taking into Our most Serious Consideration the Wonderful and Happy Conclusion of the Treaty for the Union of Our Two Kingdoms of* England *and* Scotland, *(a Work of so much Difficulty and Nicety in its own Nature, That till now all Attempts which have been made towards it, in the Course of above an Hundred Years, have proved Ineffectual) which is of the greatest Importance to the Wealth, Strength, and Safety of the whole Island, and whereby a full Provision is made for the Peace and Quiet of Our People at Home, and for the Security of Our Religion, by a firm Establishment of the Protestant Succession throughout* Great Britain, *We most Devoutly and Thankfully Acknowledge the great Goodness of Almighty God (who alone maketh Men to be of one Mind) in Rendring our Endeavours to Obtain this Union successful; And therefore duly Considering that such Great and Publick Blessings do call for Publick and Solemn Acknowledgments, We have thought fit (by the Advice of Our Privy Council) to Issue out this Our Royal Proclamation, hereby Appointing and Commanding, That a General Thanksgiving to Almighty God for this His Mercy, be Observed in such Manner as is herein after Directed and Prescribed, That so both We and Our People may Render most hearty Thanks to Almighty God for this His Mercy, and may in most Devout and Solemn manner send up Our Prayers and Supplications to the Divine Majesty, for Imploring His Blessings on Our said United Kingdom, and on the Arms of Us and Our Allies, and Our and their Forces both by Sea and Land, in the Just War in which We are now Engaged for the Common Safety of Our Realms, and for Disappointing the Boundless Ambition of* France, *and that He would be pleased to give all Our Subjects Hearts disposed to become One People. To the End therefore that so Religious an Exercise may be Observed at one and the same time, We do hereby Publish and Declare to all Our Loving Subjects, and do strictly Charge and Command, That on* Thursday *the First Day of* May *next ensuing, this General Thanksgiving shall be Religiously Kept and Observed throughout* England, *Our Dominion of* Wales, *and Town of* Berwick *upon* Tweed. *And for the better and more Religious and Orderly Solemnizing the same, We have given Directions to the Archbishops and Bishops of* England, *to Compose a Form of Prayer Suitable to this Occasion, to be Used in all Churches and Chapels, and other Places of Publick Worship, and to take Care of the timely Dispersing thereof through their respective Dioceses. And We strictly Charge and Command, That the said Publick Day of Thanksgiving be Religiously Observed by all Our Loving Subjects, as they Tender the Favour of Almighty God, and upon Pain of suffering such Punishments as We may justly Inflict on all such as shall Contemn or Neglect the Performance of so Religious and Necessary a Duty.*

Given at Our Court at *Kensington*, the Twenty seventh Day of *March*, 1707. In the Sixth Year of Our Reign.

GOD Save the QUEEN.

*Cadiz, March* 6. *N. S.* A Ship, called the Registro of Campeche, coming lately into the Road of St. Lucar, run upon a Rock, and was staved to pieces: She came from the Havana in the Company of two other Spanish Ships, from which she was separated by bad Weather, and was the most richly laden of the three, her Cargo being valued at Two Millions of Pieces of Eight. About 150 of the Mariners or Passengers that were on Board her, were cast away, some few got ashore in their Boat, with the Captain of the Ship, who was immediately imprisoned, the Loss of her being attributed chiefly to his Negligence. We have an Account from Ceuta, That the Moors have brought a considerable Reinforcement before that Place, and seem resolved to carry on the Siege with the utmost Vigour.

*Lemberg, March* 12. The Great Council of the Nobility of Poland which is assembled here, will shortly adjourn till the beginning of May, by which time, it is believ'd, the particular Diets of the several Palatinates will have chosen their Deputies; so that a General Diet may then be held, to settle the Affairs of this Kingdom. The Czar of Muscovy having caused the Archbishop of Lemberg, who crowned King Stanislaus, to be seized and carried Prisoner to Thorn, the Primate and several others of the Chief Nobility have applied for his being released; but the Czar has refused it, and ordered him to be carried to Smolensko. He intends to go shortly from Zolkiew, with the Hereditary Prince his Son, to review his Forces in Volhinia. Prince Menzikow will also shortly leave that Place, to review the Muscovite Forces in the Greater and Lesser Poland.

*Warsaw, March* 15. *N. S.* The Muscovite Troops that are quartered in this City and in our Neighbourhood are getting together Materials for the building of a Bridge, and will probably soon leave this Place, and pass that River, in order to march towards Posen. They continue to get all the Provisions they can to fill their Magazines. The Muscovite General Hencke, who lately came hither from Plosko, is gone towards Russland. They write from Minsk, That a Body of 3000 Muscovites passed lately by that Place, marching towards Petricow, which being followed by a greater Number of their Troops, the necessary Orders had been given for the providing of Necessaries for their Subsistance in the several Towns through which they were to pass. The Swedish General Leewenhoupt is marched with the Forces under his Command from Wilcomir towards Piskowam, on the Frontiers of the Palatinate of Masovia. Prince Wiesnowiski, General of the Forces of the Dutchy of Lithuania has lately sent an Express to the Primate, with Advice of his having defeated a Swedish Detachment, killed many upon the spot, and taken a Colonel, with several other Prisoners.

*Falmouth, March* 29. On the 25th Instant came in the John and Mary of Guernsey, laden with Salt for this Place, and the Patience, a Danish Ship, laden with Deals and Timber, Clyes Olson Master. The 26th sailed hence Her Majesty's Ships the Southampton and Lizard, and under their Convoy about 60 Sail of Merchant-ships, bound about Land, and the Nostra Senora de Rosaria for Bilboa. The 27th came in the Jutfro Anna Catherina, laden with Wine from Bourdeaux, bound for Rotterdam. Yesterday put in here the Margaret of Dram for Bristol, laden with Deals, Boyen Wilson Master. This Day sailed the Expedition Packet-Boat, Capt. Clyes Commander, for Lisbon, and the St. Peter, laden with Fish, bound for Bilboa. This Morning we received an Account, That Her Majesty's Ships the Southampton and Lizard met the 27th 5 large French Privateers, whom they fought a great while; but in the Engagement one of the Privateers blowing up, and another losing his Main-mast, the rest made their Escape.

*Plimouth, March* 30. On the 26th Instant sailed hence the Jamaica Packet-Boat and the Pellican for the West-Indies. The 27th came in the Marygold for Newfoundland. At the same Time sailed the Faulkland to the Eastward, to take under her Convoy several Ships from Topsham, bound for Newfoundland. The 29th put in here Her Majesty's Ships the August and Feversham from Torbay, to clean; the Ayetro from Morlaix, bound for Holland; and a Danish Vessel, laden with Deals, and bound for Lisbon. This Day sailed two Doggers, laden with Wine from Bourdeaux, and bound for Holland, the Medway Prize for Torbay, the Bene for Dartmouth, laden with Salt, and 3 Doggers from Bourdeaux, for Rotterdam.

*Deal, March* 31. Yesterday in the Afternoon came into the Downes Her Majesty's Ships the Bedford and Berwick; but sailed again in the Evening to the Westward, as did likewise the Mead Frigat, a Transport-Ship, - - - - - Tanner Master.

*Portsmouth, April* 1. On Friday last came to Spithead Her Majesty's Ships the Scarborough, Kingston, Expedition, and Dolphin, with about 20 Sail of Merchant-men under their Convoy from the Downes: As did this Morning Her Majesty's Ships the Berwick and Bedford likewise from the Downes.

*The* Dutch *Mail of* Friday *last is not yet come in.*

*There being several of the Men belonging to Her Majesty's Ship the Nonsuch now in Town, that came up in Merchant-Ships, which Men are now ordered aboard the Royal Oak, at Plimouth, to serve in her; His Royal Highness is therefore pleased to direct, That they do forthwith repair aboard her Tender in the River Thames, or to the said Ship Royal Oak, at Plimouth.*

By